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30

civilians killed, verified — 18 men, 11 women, one girl (Ukraine counts 31) A

OHCHR/HRMMU, July 2026 update, 13 Aug 2026; DSNS, 4 Jul 2026

104

injured, verified minimum (Ukraine counts 102) A

OHCHR/HRMMU press release, 13 Aug 2026; DSNS

74 + 496

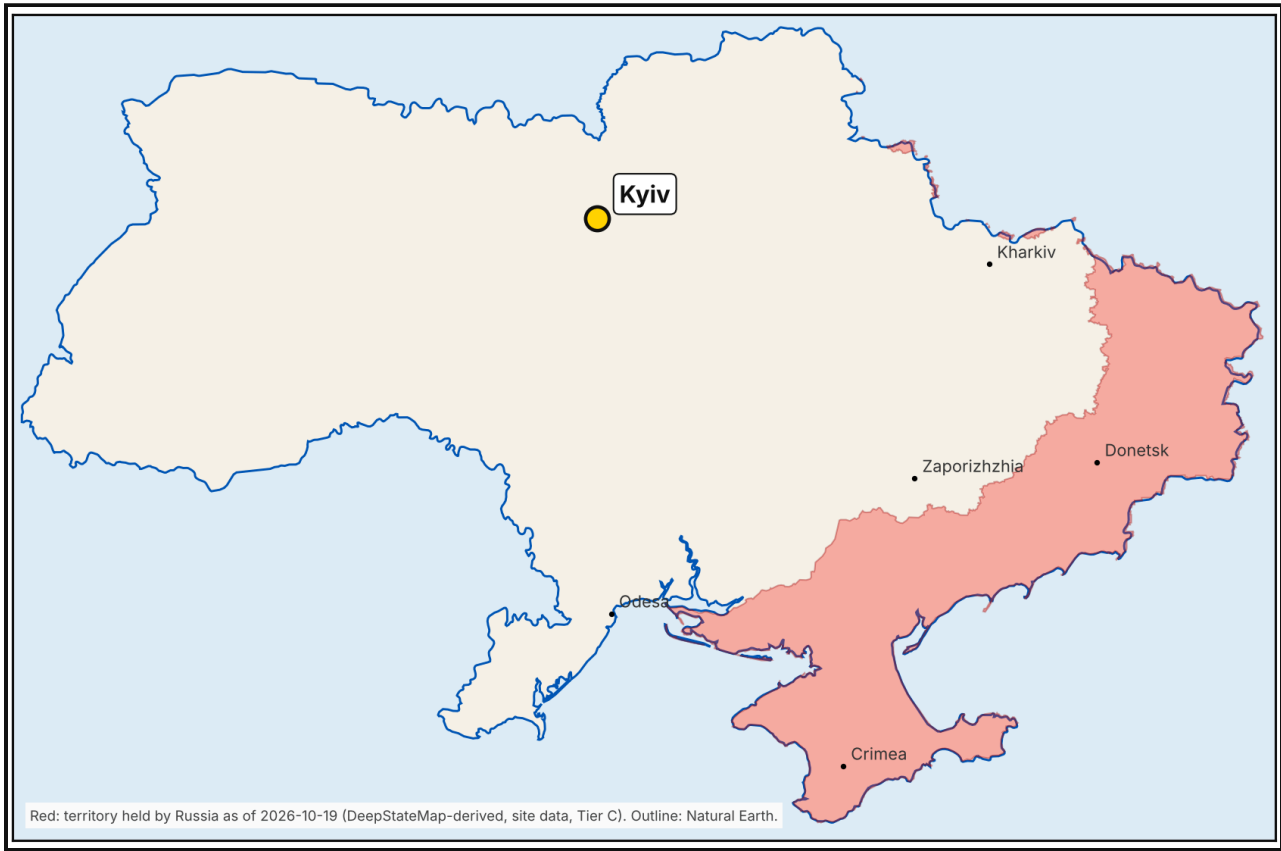
missiles and drones launched — 24 Iskander-M/S-400, 4 Zircon, 34 Kh-101, 8 Kalibr, 4 Kh-59/69; 48 missiles and 476 drones downed B

Ukrainian Air Force, 2 Jul 2026 (09:00)

54 / 202

killed / injured in Kyiv city in July 2026; at least 429 missiles launched at Ukraine in the month A

OHCHR/HRMMU, 13 Aug 2026



BOTTOM LINE

The UN's own named incident. HRMMU singled out 2 July as the deadliest attack of a month that was itself the deadliest since May 2022: 30 killed and 104 injured in Kyiv by 74 missiles and almost 500 drones. The verified dead include a girl; the verified injured include three girls and two boys.

Residential blocks were where the ballistic missiles landed. The Air Force counted 25 ballistic impacts among 33 hit locations. A nine-storey block in Darnytskyi lost floors one to six — 64 flats by the President's count — and ten bodies were recovered from it.

Russia announced it as retaliation. The Ministry of Defence called the attack retaliation for Ukrainian strikes on Russian civilian infrastructure; the Kremlin said it would keep increasing pressure. Reprisals against civilians are prohibited without exception.

LEGAL QUALIFICATION IN THREE LAYERS

30 CIVILIANS KILLED, 104 INJURED, IN A MISSILE AND DRONE ATTACK ON KYIV — ESTABLISHED (OHCHR, NAMED INCIDENT)

KYIV 2026 CAMPAIGN: REPEATED MASS-CASUALTY NIGHTS, BALLISTIC MISSILES ON RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS — PATTERN

INDISCRIMINATE ATTACK AND ATTACK ON CIVILIANS; REPRISAL AGAINST THE CIVILIAN POPULATION — POSITION (ART. 438(2) CCU; AP I ART. 51(6))

Established. OHCHR/HRMMU (13 Aug 2026): on 2 July a missile and drone attack on Kyiv killed at least 30 civilians (18 men, 11 women, one girl) and injured at least 104; July's 437 civilian deaths in Ukraine were the most since May 2022. The UN Secretary-General (2 Jul 2026): 'Any attacks on civilians and civilian infrastructure are clear violations of international humanitarian law.' **Pattern.** Repeated nights in summer 2026 — 2 Jul, 6 Jul, 5 Aug, 20 Aug — each with residential buildings destroyed and a Russian statement naming only military targets. **Position.** Ukraine investigates under Art. 438(2) CCU; the hub's inference is an indiscriminate attack (AP I art. 51(4)–(5)) and a prohibited reprisal (art. 51(6)).

WHAT WE ASK

Make 2 July the reference case for the Kyiv campaign: the UN's figures, the Air Force's weapons log, Russia's retaliation statement. Deliver interceptors for ballistic missiles — 25 of 33 impacts that night were ballistic. Ask the ICC Prosecutor to extend the 2024 missile-campaign warrants to the 2026 Kyiv strikes. Designate the commands that fired where not yet listed.

A STRIKE ANNOUNCED, A CITY THAT COULD NOT STOP IT

Ukraine knew the strike was coming and said so from Dublin. What arrived between midnight and dawn was the largest combined salvo of the year: three quarters of it was intercepted, and the quarter that was not — the ballistic missiles — fell on the districts where people live.

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1 Jul 2026	President Zelensky, in Dublin with the Taoiseach, says Ukraine has intelligence of another massive strike; he cuts the visit short and asks citizens to heed the alerts. B — Al Jazeera, 2 Jul 2026
2 Jul 2026, after 00:00	Drones enter Kyiv airspace; the heaviest explosions come at about 02:00. Residents shelter in metro stations. C — Al Jazeera, 2 Jul 2026
2 Jul 2026, night	Air Force log: 74 missiles — 24 Iskander-M/S-400 from Bryansk and Kursk, 4 Zircon from Kursk, 34 Kh-101 from over Vologda, 8 Kalibr from Novorossiysk, 4 Kh-59/69 from over Voronezh — and 496 drones from seven launch areas. B — Ukrainian Air Force, 2 Jul 2026
2 Jul 2026, night	Darnytskyi: a nine-storey block loses floors one to six; a 16-storey block and a five-storey block beside it are hit. Pechersk: a nine-storey block burns over 200 m². Shevchenkivskyi: an ambulance substation hit, five medics and drivers injured; a hotel on Bessarabka burns. B — DSNS; Kyiv city administration; The Page, 2 Jul 2026
2 Jul 2026, 09:00	Air Force: 48 missiles and 476 drones downed; 25 ballistic missiles and 12 drones hit 33 locations; debris at 18. B — Ukrainian Air Force, 2 Jul 2026
2 Jul 2026	Russian MoD: strikes on 'military and energy facilities around Kyiv' and military airfields, in retaliation for Ukrainian attacks on Russian civilian infrastructure. Peskov: 'military or military-related facilities'; Russia will 'continue increasing pressure'. RUSSIA SAYS — Al Jazeera; Time, 2 Jul 2026
2 Jul 2026, afternoon	Zelensky: more than 70 missiles, nearly half ballistic, almost 500 drones; a missile destroyed 64 flats in one block. Kyiv declares 3 July a day of mourning. B — President of Ukraine; Kyiv mayor; Al Jazeera
2 Jul 2026, evening	UN Secretary-General: 'clear violations of international humanitarian law'. Toll at 25 killed and more than 80 injured (DSNS). A — UN Spokesperson; DSNS
3 Jul 2026, 16:34	DSNS completes the search of the Darnytskyi nine-storey block: ten bodies recovered from it; the attack's toll reaches 30. B — DSNS; ArmyInform, 3 Jul 2026
13 Aug 2026	OHCHR/HRMMU July update: 437 killed in Ukraine, the most since May 2022; 2 July the deadliest attack — 30 killed, 104 injured in Kyiv; Kyiv 54 killed in the month; 429 missiles launched in July. A — OHCHR/HRMMU, Protection of Civilians, July 2026

WHAT THE RECORD SHOWS

The Air Force's 09:00 report: 74 missiles of five types and 496 drones from seven launch areas; 524 of 570 weapons downed or neutralised. Of the missiles that got through, 25 were ballistic; with 12 drones they struck 33 locations.

In Darnytskyi a nine-storey block lost its structures from the first to the sixth floor and the 16-storey block beside it was hit at the twelfth floor. An ambulance substation in Shevchenkivskyi was hit with its crews inside; a hotel and a publisher's warehouse burned. DSNS worked the Darnytskyi block until 3 July.



An apartment building burning in Kyiv on the night of 2 July 2026. Photo: State Emergency Service of Ukraine · CC BY 4.0 · via Wikimedia Commons

WHO THE DEAD WERE

Thirty civilians by the UN's count — 18 men, 11 women and a girl — and 31 by Ukraine's. Ten were recovered from the Darnytskyi block alone. The injured include three girls and two boys (HRMMU).

A medical worker injured at the ambulance substation told HRMMU: 'I was more worried about my colleague, who was lying outside.' The night's dead are more than half of Kyiv's July toll of 54.

Sources: A — OHCHR/HRMMU, *Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict, July 2026* (press release and PDF, 13 Aug 2026); August and September 2026 updates; UN Secretary-General's spokesperson, 2 Jul 2026; ICC, warrants of 5 Mar and 24 Jun 2024. B — Ukrainian Air Force, 2 Jul 2026 (via Censor.net); DSNS, 2–4 Jul 2026; Kyiv city administration, 2 Jul 2026; President of Ukraine, 1–2 Jul 2026; LB.ua, 8 Jul 2026. C — Time, 2 Jul 2026; Al Jazeera, 2 Jul 2026; The Page, 2 Jul 2026; ArmyInform, 3 Jul 2026; Mezha, 4 Jul 2026. RU — Russian MoD and Kremlin, 2 Jul 2026, as reported by Al Jazeera and Time. All accessed 21 Oct 2026.



THREE TIERS, AND THE UN NAMED THE NIGHT

HRMMU's July update does what it rarely does: it names the single deadliest attack and gives its figures. The Air Force's weapons log and the DSNS recovery record supply the rest. Where the UN's two documents differ on the injured, both numbers are shown.

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OHCHR/HRMMU, press release, 13 Aug 2026: July's deadliest attack was on 2 July, 'mainly in Kyiv city', with 74 missiles and almost 500 long-range drones: at least 30 killed and 104 injured. July: 437 killed, 2,610 injured — the highest monthly death toll since May 2022; child casualties the highest since April 2022 (17 killed, 166 injured); Kyiv 54 killed, 202 injured; at least 429 missiles launched in the month.

A

OHCHR/HRMMU, July 2026 PDF: 2 July, Kyiv — at least 30 killed (18 men, 11 women, 1 girl); at least 97 injured with a breakdown (53 men, 39 women, 3 girls, 2 boys).

A

UN Secretary-General, via spokesperson, 2 Jul 2026: 'Any attacks on civilians and civilian infrastructure are clear violations of international humanitarian law'; call for de-escalation and a ceasefire.

A

UKRAINIAN INVESTIGATION

Ukrainian Air Force, 2 Jul 2026 (09:00): the full weapons table — launch areas, types, 524 downed, 33 impact locations, 25 ballistic impacts.

B

DSNS, 2–4 Jul 2026: 10 → 25 → 30 → 31 killed; 80+ → 102 injured; the Darnytskyi block searched to 3 Jul (ten bodies); the 16-storey block cleared to 4 Jul; more than 20 residential buildings damaged.

B

Kyiv city administration (T. Tkachenko), 2 Jul 2026: 28 locations hit; 22 killed by early evening; at least two children injured.

B

INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATIONS

Time, 2 Jul 2026: the consolidated account with the Russian MoD and Kremlin positions and the UK, Irish and EU reactions.

C

Al Jazeera, 2 Jul 2026: the timing (drones after midnight, heaviest explosions about 02:00), the 64 flats, the ambulance station, the BookChef warehouse, DTEK damage, the Kremlin briefing of Putin.

C

ArmyInform, 3 Jul 2026: completion of the Darnytskyi search; Mezha, 4 Jul 2026: the final DSNS figures.

C

THE NUMBERS — EVERY SOURCE, AS PUBLISHED		
Figure	What it counts	Source · date · tier
10 · 22 · 25 · 30 · 31	killed — DSNS 07:47 2 Jul; KMVA evening; DSNS evening; 3 Jul after the Darnytskyi search; 4 Jul final	DSNS; KMVA · B
30 (18 / 11 / 1)	killed, verified — men / women / girl	OHCHR/HRMMU, 13 Aug 2026 · A
80+ · 102	injured — DSNS 2 Jul evening; DSNS 4 Jul	DSNS · B
97 · 104	injured, verified — the PDF's breakdown (53 men, 39 women, 3 girls, 2 boys) and the press release's 'at least 104'	OHCHR/HRMMU · A
74 / 48	missiles launched / downed; 24 Iskander-M/S-400 (4 downed), 4 Zircon (0), 34 Kh-101 (32), 8 Kalibr (8), 4 Kh-59/69 (4)	Air Force · B
33 · 28 · 130+	impact locations (Air Force, national) · locations hit in Kyiv (KMVA) · damaged sites (President)	Air Force; KMVA; President · B



The collapsed section of the apartment block in Darnytskyi district. Photo: State Emergency Service of Ukraine · CC BY 4.0 · via Wikimedia Commons

The hub leads with the UN's 30 killed and 104 injured (Tier A), shows the UN PDF's 97 with its breakdown, and gives Ukraine's 31/102 as 'according to Ukrainian authorities' (Tier B). The ballistic count is the Air Force's preliminary figure.

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FIVE WEAPON SYSTEMS, ONE ORDER

The Air Force's launch map fixes the commands: Long-Range Aviation's bombers over Vologda, the Black Sea Fleet off Novorossiysk, Iskander brigades in Bryansk and Kursk, Zircon launchers in Kursk. Two of the commanders carry ICC warrants for the same weapons used in 2022–23.

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Who	Role in the case	Proceedings	Sanctions · courts
Gen. Valery Gerasimov Chief of the General Staff; commander of the Joint Grouping of Forces	Planning authority for the combined salvo (position)	ICC arrest warrant, 24 Jun 2024 (energy campaign, Oct 2022 – Mar 2023); no charge for 2026	EU, US, UK, Canada listed (2022)
Lt-Gen Sergei Kobylash commander, Long-Range Aviation	34 Kh-101 launched from bombers over Vologda region (Air Force)	ICC arrest warrant, 5 Mar 2024; no charge for 2026	ICC warrant
Black Sea Fleet commander Vice-Adm Sergei Pinchuk; predecessor Adm Viktor Sokolov	8 Kalibr launched from the Novorossiysk area (Air Force)	Sokolov: ICC warrant 5 Mar 2024; Pinchuk: Ukrainian notice of suspicion (Hroza), 10 Jul 2026	Pinchuk: EU (2022), UK, Canada, Australia, Japan, Switzerland
Iskander-M brigades and S-400 units, Bryansk and Kursk regions units not named	24 ballistic missiles launched, 4 downed (Air Force)	No charge; units not named for 2 Jul 2026	—

CHAIN OF RESPONSIBILITY

The ICC's warrants of 5 Mar 2024 (Kobylash, Sokolov) and 24 Jun 2024 (Shoigu, Gerasimov) rest on the Kh-101 and Kalibr campaign of 2022–23 directed at civilian objects or causing excessive civilian harm. The same commands fired the same weapons on 2 July 2026 into a capital; the warrants have not been extended.

Which weapon hit the Darnytskyi block has not been published. The Air Force's log shows 20 of 24 ballistic missiles and all four Zircons got through while 32 of 34 Kh-101s were stopped; attribution is left to the Kyiv city prosecutor.

THE RUSSIAN STATE'S OWN ACTS

Russian MoD, 2 Jul 2026: strikes on 'military and energy facilities around Kyiv' and military airfields, in retaliation for Ukrainian attacks on Russian civilian infrastructure (Al Jazeera).

Kremlin, 2 Jul 2026: the targets were 'military or military-related facilities'; Russia will 'continue increasing pressure' (Peskov, Time). Neither statement mentions a residential block or a casualty figure.

Sanctions column: designations as recorded in the hub's Hroza dossier; a dash means none was identified. The ICC warrants are cited for the chain of command; none covers the 2026 strikes.

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A REPRISAL, ANNOUNCED AS ONE

Russia's account has two parts: the targets were military and energy facilities, and the attack was retaliation for Ukrainian strikes on Russia. The first does not match the record of harm; the second is a confession to a prohibited act.

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RUSSIAN MINISTRY OF DEFENCE · STATEMENT · 2 JUL 2026

"[Strikes on] military and energy facilities around Kyiv [and military airfields], in retaliation for Ukraine's attack on civilian infrastructure. (as reported by Al Jazeera)"

Russian MoD, 2 Jul 2026, as reported by Al Jazeera

DMITRY PESKOV · KREMLIN SPOKESMAN · 2 JUL 2026

"[The assault was aimed at] military or military-related facilities. [Russia will] continue increasing pressure [on Ukraine]."

Kremlin press call, 2 Jul 2026, as reported by Time

ANTICIPATED LINE · 'UKRAINIAN AIR DEFENCE CAUSED THE DAMAGE' · NOT USED FOR 2 JULY

"(Russia's standard explanation in other Kyiv strikes; not located for this one.)"

Hub note

A DECLARED REPRISAL — PROHIBITED WHATEVER THE TARGET

Additional Protocol I art. 51(6) prohibits attacks against the civilian population by way of reprisals, without exception. The record of harm is 30 verified civilian dead, a residential block without its lower six floors, an ambulance station hit with its crews inside.

What the claim concedes: That Russia launched the attack, chose Kyiv, and did so as retaliation rather than for any military necessity at the sites hit.

THE UN COUNTED THE DEAD; THEY WERE CIVILIANS

HRMMU verified 30 civilians killed — 18 men, 11 women, a girl — and at least 104 injured. The Air Force recorded 25 ballistic impacts among 33 hit locations; 64 flats were destroyed in one block.

What the claim concedes: That the pressure is to increase — the attack is policy, not accident.

INTERCEPTION DEBRIS DOES NOT REMOVE SIX FLOORS

The Air Force logged impacts at 33 locations and debris at 18 — counted separately. The Darnytskyi block lost floors one to six; these are missile impacts, and the missiles that got through were Russia's ballistic ones.

What the claim concedes: Nothing — answered in advance.

FAIR TO SAY

Russia published no target list for 2 July; its statement is general. DTEK reported damage to energy infrastructure, so part of the claim has a factual basis.

Ukraine's toll moved over two days (10, 22, 25, 30, 31) as bodies were recovered; the UN's 30 is one below the Ukrainian final, and the UN's two documents give 97 and 104 injured. Ukraine had struck Russian refineries in the preceding weeks — no defence to killing civilians in Kyiv.

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THE ANCHOR OF THE KYIV 2026 CAMPAIGN

2 July is the night the UN itself named, with the largest salvo and the highest toll of the summer. The hub uses it as the reference case for the Kyiv campaign: the weapons, the commands, the Russian statements and the law are the same on each night.

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ESTABLISHED — BY BODIES WITH A MANDATE

OHCHR/HRMMU (13 Aug 2026): 2 July, Kyiv — at least 30 civilians killed (18 men, 11 women, one girl) and at least 104 injured by 74 missiles and almost 500 drones; the deadliest attack of the deadliest month since May 2022; Kyiv 54 killed and 202 injured in July; 429 missiles launched at Ukraine in the month.

UN Secretary-General (2 Jul 2026): any attacks on civilians and civilian infrastructure are clear violations of international humanitarian law. UN Humanitarian Coordinator: a deadly pattern targeting densely populated residential areas.

OHCHR/HRMMU (13 Aug and 16 Sep 2026): the other nights of the campaign verified — 6 July, Kyiv 19 killed and Vyshneve 7; 5 August, 18 killed including eight at a railway station; 20 August, 16 killed.

PATTERN — WHAT THE RECORD SHOWS

The Kyiv 2026 campaign (OHCHR, A): **2 Jul** — 30 killed, 104 injured; **6 Jul** — 19 killed in Kyiv, 11 of them in a 25-storey Darnytskyi block, and 7 in Vyshneve; **5 Aug** — 18 killed, eight at a Brovary-district station; **20 Aug** — 16 killed in Kyiv. Kyiv city: 54 killed in July, 31 in August, 32 in September.

The signature on every night: ballistic missiles that Ukraine's interceptor stocks cannot match, launched after midnight, with a residential block destroyed and a Russian statement naming only military, energy or logistics targets. On 2 July Russia added the word 'retaliation'.

POSITION — UKRAINE'S QUALIFICATION

Ukraine investigates each night under Art. 438(2) CCU (Kyiv city prosecutor; SBU investigators); no suspect has been named for the 2026 Kyiv strikes.

The hub's inference: 2 July was an indiscriminate attack (AP I art. 51(4)–(5)(b)) and a prohibited reprisal against the civilian population (art. 51(6)); the destruction of residential blocks and the strike on an ambulance station engage Rome Statute art. 8(2)(b) (i), (ii) and (iv) and, for the ambulance service, art. 8(2)(b)(xxiv). Pending adjudication.

THE RULES THAT APPLY

Additional Protocol I arts. 48, 51(2), 51(4)–(5), 51(6) and 57: distinction; indiscriminate attacks and excessive incidental harm prohibited; reprisals against civilians prohibited; precautions in the choice of means and methods.

GC IV art. 18, AP I arts. 12 and 15: medical units and personnel — including ambulance services — shall be respected and protected; Rome Statute art. 8(2)(b)(i), (ii), (iv), (xxiv); arts. 25(3)(b), 28.

WHAT WE DO NOT KNOW

Which weapon destroyed the Darnytskyi nine-storey block and which hit the 16-storey block; the ballistic count (25 impacts against 24 launched).

The one-death gap between the UN's 30 and Ukraine's 31, and the 97/104 injured in the UN's two documents.

Whether the ICC Prosecutor has opened any line on the 2026 Kyiv strikes.

WHAT WE ASK

- Make 2 July the reference case.** Cite HRMMU's named-incident figures (30 killed, 104 injured, 74 missiles, ~500 drones) and the Secretary-General's words whenever the Kyiv campaign is raised.
- Close the ballistic gap.** Deliver Patriot-class interceptors and the missiles for them: on 2 July Ukraine stopped 32 of 34 Kh-101s and 4 of 24 ballistic missiles; 25 of the 33 impacts were ballistic.
- Extend the ICC charges.** Ask the Prosecutor to apply the 2024 warrants' reasoning — Kh-101 and Kalibr strikes on civilian objects — to 2026, with 2 July as the lead incident and the Kremlin's reprisal statement as evidence of intent.
- Sanction the commands that fired.** Designate Long-Range Aviation, the Black Sea Fleet's missile units, the Iskander brigades in Bryansk and Kursk and the drone production chain under every national regime where not yet listed; list the unit commanders as Ukraine names them.

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KYIV, 2 JULY: 74 MISSILES, 496 DRONES, ONE NIGHT

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An apartment building burning in Kyiv on the night of 2 July 2026

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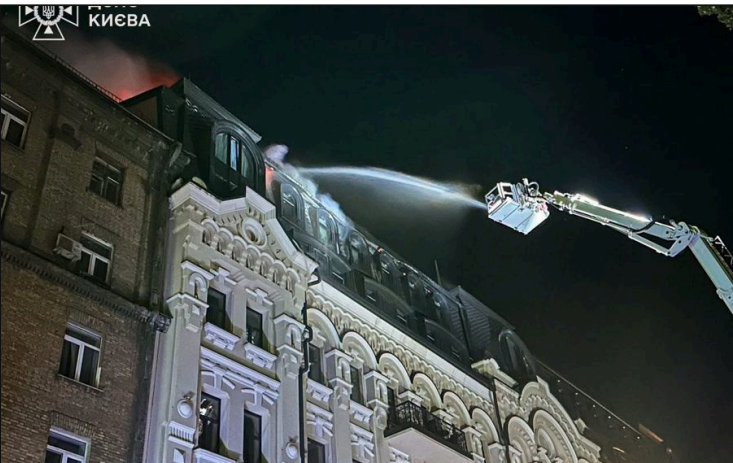
The collapsed section of the apartment block in Darnytskyi district

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The 16-storey block after rescue work ended

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A historic hotel building in central Kyiv, hit the same night

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Unexploded cluster bomblets from a Kh-69 missile found in Kyiv

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A school building damaged the same night

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